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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Hirokazu Hisano

Serial No.: 10/077,599

Filed February 15, 2002

For: Sealing Material in the Form of Tape,)

and Production Thereof

Group Art Unit: 1772

Examiner: N. Ahmad

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to 571-273-8300: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box

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March 15, 2006 Date of faxing document

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that an extension of time for three (3) months, to and including March 15, 2006, be granted in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) in order to extend the period for response to the outstanding rejection of September 15, 2005.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 07-1729 for the required fee, and for any additional charges that may be incurred.

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